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SENATE BILL No. 457

DIGEST OF SB 457 (Updated February 11, 1999 3:31 pm - DI 71)

Citations Affected: IC 20-6.1.

Synopsis: Reading instruction for teachers. Requires 12 semester hours of academic preparation in the teaching of reading and in reading techniques, including phonemic awareness and explicit systematic phonic awareness, for a person to qualify for an elementary teacher license.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

**Clark, Howard, Lubbers, Breaux,
Kenley, Miller, Long**

January 13, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Education.
February 11, 1999, amended, reported favorably — Do Pass.

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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning education.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

- 1 SECTION 1. IC 20-6.1-3-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
- 2 FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. (a) The board shall
- 3 designate:
- 4 (1) the grade average required for each kind of license; and
- 5 (2) the kinds of license to which the teachers' minimum salary
- 6 laws apply, including nonrenewable one (1) year limited licenses.
- 7 (b) The board shall determine details of licensing not provided in
- 8 this chapter. These details may include requirements regarding:
- 9 (1) the conversion of one kind of license into another;
- 10 (2) the accreditation of teacher training schools and departments;
- 11 (3) the exchange and renewal of licenses;
- 12 (4) the endorsement of another state's license;
- 13 (5) the acceptance of credentials from teacher training institutions
- 14 of another state;
- 15 (6) the academic and professional preparation for each kind of
- 16 license;
- 17 (7) the granting of permission to teach a high school subject area

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- 1 related to the subject area for which the teacher holds a license;
- 2 (8) the issuance of licenses on credentials;
- 3 (9) the kind of license for each school position;
- 4 (10) the size of an elementary school requiring a licensed
- 5 principal; and
- 6 (11) other related matters.

7 However, the board shall, not later than December 31, 1984, establish
8 at least one (1) system for renewing a teaching license that does not
9 require a graduate degree.

10 (c) The board shall periodically publish bulletins regarding:

- 11 (1) the details described in subsection (b);
- 12 (2) information on the kinds of licenses issued;
- 13 (3) the rules governing the issuance of each kind of license; and
- 14 (4) other similar matters.

15 **(d) In addition to other requirements that the board establishes**
16 **for licensing, the board shall require, as academic preparation for**
17 **a standard license in elementary education, the completion of an**
18 **undergraduate program that contains at least twelve (12) semester**
19 **hours or the equivalent in:**

- 20 (1) the teaching of reading; and
- 21 (2) techniques, including phonemic awareness and explicit
- 22 systematic phonic awareness, for the teaching of reading.

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SENATE MOTION

Mr. President: I move that Senator Howard be added as second author of Senate Bill 457.

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Mr. President: I move that Senators Breaux and Kenley be added as coauthors of Senate Bill 457.

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Mr. President: I move that Senator Lubbers be added as coauthor of Senate Bill 457.

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Mr. President: I move that Senators Miller and Long be added as coauthors of Senate Bill 457.

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COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. President: The Senate Committee on Education, to which was referred Senate Bill No. 457, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the Senate with the recommendation that said bill be AMENDED as follows:

Page 2, line 21, delete "phonetic and sound processing," and insert "**phonemic awareness and explicit systematic phonic awareness**," and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to SB 457 as introduced.)

WEATHERWAX, Chairperson

Committee Vote: Yeas 7, Nays 4.

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